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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON FROM AMBASSADOR PORTER

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SEDU, EAID, SA
SUBJECT: FORD FOUNDATION PROBLEMS IN SAUDI ARABIA

REF: (A) STATE 021024, (B) CAIRO 02319, (C) JIDDA 1151

1. THE REASON THAT I HAVE TOLD CAIRO TO POSTPONE ANY IMMEDIATE TRIP TO JIDDA BY FORD FOUNDATION'S MIDDLE EAST DIRECTOR, SAMUEL BUNKER, (REF C) IS BASED UPON AND UNDERSTANDING OF FOUNDATION - SAG RELATIONS AT CONSIDERABLE VARIANCE FROM VIEW GIVEN TO YOU BY FOUNDATION OFFICIAL IN PARA 6 OF STATE 021024.

2. FOUNDATION FIRST AGREED, AND THEN SUDDENLY BACKED OUT, ON AN OFFER TO EXPAND UPON AN EARLIER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE STUDY FOR FOREIGN MINISTRY. THIS DECISION WAS RECEIVED WITH CONSIDERABLE PERSONAL RESENTMENT BY FOREIGN MINISTER, HRH PRINCE SAUD. FYI: SAUD IS CONVINCED THAT FOUNDATION DROPPED PROJECT -- IN WHICH HE WAS PERSONALLY INTERESTED -- BECAUSE FORD PEOPLE CONSIDERED WORKING IN SAUDI ARABIA WOULD CAUSE TOO MUCH TROUBLE WITH ZIONISTS. END FYI.

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3. I WANT TO BE HELPFUL WHERE I CAN TO AMICABLE SETTLEMENT WHEREIN FOUNDATION DEPARTS SAUDI ARABIA WITHOUT REVERBERATIONS. WE WILL BE EXPLORING WHAT AVENUE MIGHT BE PURSUED AND I WILL LET YOU KNOW. BY NO MEANS, HOWEVER, SHOULD THE MATTER BE ELEVATED TO SECRETARY (PARA 3, REF B) KNOWING HOW FOREIGN MINISTER FEELS ABOUT THE SUBJECT.

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